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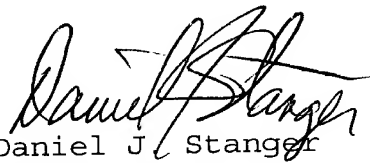
REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF PROPOSED DRAWING CORRECTIONS

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Sir:

The Applicants request approval of the drawing corrections shown in red ink on the attached copies of Fig. 7 and Fig. 8, to correct the units shown. Support for the change can be found in the specification at page 20, lines 7, 10 and 11, and at page 20, line 26, through page 21, line 24.

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